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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS

1. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE
TO HELMUT MUELLER FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY MOOSE:

2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR HELMUT: I AM AFRAID THAT IT IS
GOING TO BE IMPOSSIBLE AFTER ALL FOR ME TO COME TO BONN
AS PLANNED THIS COMING WEEKEND. IT WAS NECESSARY FOR
ME TO REMAIN IN PARIS THROUGH LAST THURSDAY AND THEN
CONTINUE TO LONDON WITH MR. VANCE. AS A RESULT, I DID
NOT GET BACK TO WASHINGTON UNTIL SATURDAY EVENING. THIS
UNEXPECTED PROLONGATION OF MY TRIP, COUPLED WITH SOME
COMPLICATED TRAVEL PLANS OF OTHER MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY,
SIMPLY MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO GO AWAY AGAIN SO
SOON. I HAVE SENT A MESSAGE TO TONY LAKE EXPLAINING MY
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PROBLEM AND TOLD HIM THAT I WAS CERTAIN THAT YOU AND
MR. KINKEL AND HE COULD HAVE A PRODUCTIVE SESSION
WITHOUT ME.

3. I DO REGRET THAT I CANNOT COME NOW AND I HOPE THAT
IT DOES NOT INCONVENIENCE YOU. IT WOULD HAVE BEEN GOOD
TO HAVE AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH YOU, AND I WILL BE IN

TOUCH WITH YOU AS SOON AS SOME TENTATIVE PLANS THAT I
HAVE TO TRAVEL TO AFRICA VIA EUROPE IN JULY TAKE SHAPE.

IN THIS RESPECT, IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR ME TO KNOW WHEN
YOU PLAN TO BE BACK IN BONN FROM YOUR FORTHCOMING TRIP.

4. I BELIEVE THE MEETING IN BRUSSELS TURNED OUT AS WELL
OR BETTER THAN MIGHT HAVE BEEN EXPECTED. AND I AM GLAD
THAT THE BUSINESS OF THE DEMARCHE TO MOBUTU WAS
RESOLVED, HOWEVER ARDOUSLY AND IMPERFECTLY.

5. AGAIN, I AM SORRY TO HAVE TO CANCEL OUT ON YOU.
ALL THE BEST. DICK MOOSE. END TEXT.

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